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Jeff??? Thoughts? ICL was pretty against any sort of emergency discharge.

From: Werntz, James

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Maria: You should expect a call from Neil Carley (sp?) 971-706-9178 (cell). I spoke with him yesterday. This Park near Moscow, as I'm sure you recall, was mismanaged on both DW and WWT sides. ICL sued for the direct discharge problem and won. The Park is in bankruptcy now, and a new owner is apparently (according to Mr. Carley) trying to fix up the Park and associated infrastructure.

Mr. Carley is the General Mgr for the new owner, and was reporting to us that the wastewater lagoon had developed a leak/breach and are experiencing some overflow. He said it is not discharging to the receiving water, but it sounds as though they have a structural integrity problem. They also notified Michael Camin, DEQs Lewiston Office, of the problem.

Mr. Carley seemed to want our help, and possibly an emergency discharge exemption, so they can reduce the head on the lagoon. I told him these are rarely granted. I suggested pumping out the lagoon into tankers for haul/treat, but apparently this is not an option. I emphasized that they should avoid discharge under any circumstance, and suggested they get a licensed engineer to assess the situation.

Mike – Mr. Carley also asked about their request to get an NPDES permit – sounds like it may have been in our que for a few years...

My sense is that they really want to do this properly, but have limited options and resources available due to bankruptcy limitations.

I would like you to call him when you get back to Boise. If your Peru obligations prevent this, perhaps Jeff might ask another OCE staffer to follow-up. Please keep me posted. Thank you.

Jim

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